

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
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) APPARATUS AND METHOD  
 ) FOR MANUFACTURING  
 ) MICRONEEDLES  
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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits the following Preliminary Amendment to the above referenced application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.